## Governor's Referral - Congo Funeral Home

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Dear Theophilus R. Nix, Jr,

The Governor's Office has asked DNREC to respond to the communication you sent regarding the permit application of Congo Funeral Home. As your comment relates to a pending permit application that was the subject of a recent DNREC public hearing, it has been provided to that hearing officer for incorporation into the formal hearing record being generated in this matter. Your comment will be considered and addressed by the hearing officer and Secretary in the permit decision process. We would clarify that the Department's noticing requirements for public hearings concerning permit applications are the same for all areas of the state, via DNREC's website and via printed and electronic notice in both statewide and local media. We would also note that all documentation concerning this pending permit application, including all exhibits, comments, the official hearing transcript, and the permit application itself, are available at https://dnrec.alpha.delaware.gov/events/virtual-public-hearing-congo-funeral-home-naturalminor-construction-permit/. There have been approximately 20 public comments received on this application to date, including a petition, and all expressions of community opinion will be considered prior to a decision being rendered in this matter. We thank you and the community for taking the opportunity to provide comment on this application, as that is the purpose of the public hearing process.

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